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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN

AND

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

OF THE

TOWN OF CANAAN,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

February 20, 1864.

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SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Received from former Selectmen,	\$27 54
“ County, for support of paupers,	1053 96
“ State, as State aid to volunteer families,	3079 60
“ State Literary Fund,	131 49
“ Interest on Literary Fund,	60 00
“ P. O. Dunham,	1 00
“ L. C. Pattee,	6 92
“ State, as State Bounty to Volunteers,	2300 00
“ Norman Hadley, collector 1856 & 1857	22 53
“ James Doten, collector school house tax Dist. No. 7,	18 00
“ James Doten, collector, school house tax Dist. No. 21,	15 00
“ James Doten, collector for 1863,	7228 25
“ Edwin B. Miner, collector for 1862,	1095 94
“ Tax bill 1861,	4 84
“ N. P. Taplin,	44 89
“ From U. S. for recruiting 23 volunteers,	355 00
“ J. S. Davis, Liquor Agent 1863,	79 13
“ Town of Hanover for support of Irene Hadley's child,	35 75
“ Cash hired on notes,	19,416 00
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	\$34,975 84

EXPENDITURES.

Paid State tax,	\$1233 90
County tax,	855 17
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	\$2089 07

School Money paid as follows :

Paid School District No. 1,	\$127 00
2,	124 87
3,	41 56
4,	44 16
5,	45 80
6,	38 96
7,	175 42
8,	66 08
9,	47 98
10,	55 52
11,	91 14
12,	53 39
13,	44 43
14,	79 47
15,	41 29
16,	39 88
17,	51 00
18,	58 60
19,	44 25
20,	53 32
21,	37 19
Wm. L. Harris, united to Enfield,	13 00
District No. 9, Enfield,	10 70
E. O. Lowell, Orange,	1 50
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	\$1386 51

Paid School House tax in Dist. No. 21,	\$15 00
“ “ “ 7,	18 00
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	\$33 00

Abatement of taxes for the year 1856.

William B. Gordon,	\$1 28
Daniel Clark,	2 10
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	3 38

Abatement of taxes for the year 1857.

Alexander Jefferson,	\$4 85	
Heber Jackson,	4 36	
Daniel Clark,	1 08	
" school house tax,	33	
Henry W. Jones,	7 60	
Frank Rogers,	93	
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Abatement of taxes for the year 1861.

Alexander Jefferson,	\$2 62	
James M. Davis,	2 22	
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Abatement of taxes for the year 1862.

Susan Eaton, over tax,	\$ 97	
William B. Weeks, illegal,	2 34	
Joseph D. Weeks, " "	2 34	
George Jones,	2 34	
Ezekiel Fifield,	1 84	
John Hoyt,	3 57	
Town Farm,	9 75	
Chester Spaulding,	33	
Joseph M. Rowell,	49	
Lovicy Scales,	5 58	
Levi C. Woods,	2 34	
Samuel A. Colby,	2 53	
Horace Johnson,	4 49	
Absalom Hazelton,	3 84	
Samuel Heath,	2 34	
Joseph C. Peters,	2 48	
Sumner Briggs,	2 46	
Elijah W. Johnson,	4 29	
Gilman N. Clark,	2 48	
William Lynch,	6 05	
Nathaniel Wilson, illegal,	2 34	
Eleazer Chesley,	2 34	
John B. Clark,	2 54	
Edwin E. Shattuck,	3 18	
Henry Daniels, Jr.,	2 54	
David Ford,	2 34	
Abel and Stephen Hadley, 3d, illegal,	2 54	
Frank Brannon,	2 34	

Moses Knight,	\$2 70	
Lucy Knight,	1 23	
Alexander Jefferson,	5 62	
Bailey Bachelder,	2 50	
Edward A. Hoffman,	2 34	
Abram F. Kimball,	2 34	
Henry Plummer,	5 14	
Henry Bacon,	2 34	
Jonathan J. Smith,	1 85	
Daniel J. Durrell,	2 34	
Amos Pierce,	17	
Luther P. Reed,	2 70	
Henry Bushway,	2 34	
Alfred Huse, illegal,	98	
Moses Whittier,	2 83	
Non-resident tax Dodge lot,	4 28	
Charles Chase, highway tax,	3 83	
Richard Williams lot,	14 25	
Daniel G. Lowell,	2 34	
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Abatement of taxes for the year 1863.

Aaron Aldrich, over tax,	\$2 60	
Ezekiel Fifield, on dog,	1 00	
Andrew J. Goss,	3 12	
James F. Rogers,	12 48	
William Digby, on dog,	1 00	
Town Farm,	13 00	
David Ford,	5 43	
Elijah W. Johnson,	2 62	
Sumner Briggs, illegal,	4 14	
Joseph Loverin, Jr.,	9 00	
John B. Clark,	3 64	
Williard Dunham,	2 42	
Moses Knight,	3 82	
Lucy Knight,	1 61	
Thomas M. Colby, illegal,	1 95	
Andrew J. Darush,	1 85	
Francis Brooks,	3 12	
Jonathan J. Smith, poll and dog,	4 12	
Alexander Jefferson,	1 39	
Benjamin C. Leech, illegal,	9 62	
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Paid Charles Day, damage on sheep by dogs, \$31 00

Services of Town Officers.

Frank P. Swett, 1st Selectman,	\$123,60
Henry H. Wilson, 2d “	69 75
Job S. Davis, 3d “	96 00
Isaac N. Blodgett, Superintending School Committee,	25 00
Charles U. Dunning, “ “ “	25 00
Henry H. Wilson, “ “ “	1 00
James Doten, Collector,	108 92
Lewis C. Pattee, Auditor,	2 00
Jesse Martin, “	2 00
David Barnard, Town Clerk,	8 00

\$461 27

Insufficiency of Roads.

Paid Samuel Noyes, damage to person and wagon,	\$10 00
Dexter Harris, “ “	2 50
Carter Houston, “ to wagon and harness,	3 50
John Morse, “ to horse and wagon,	7 25
H. L. Ferrin	50
J. T. Milton, damage to harness,	3 50

\$27 25

Highways and Bridges.

Paid Dustin & Sommers, labor and plank,	\$60 93
Jacob S. Clark, labor,	29 00
Joel Dean, work on bridge,	24 38
H. B. Whitney, plank and labor,	44 50
Benjamin Norris, repairing Wells Bridge,	8 50
N. Wiggins, repairing Hazelton bridge,	15 64
F. H. Wells, plank,	12 33
Daniel Goss, plank and labor,	7 44
J. W. Currier, plank and damage to plow,	7 60
Pattee & Perley, plank and labor,	48 45
A. B. Aldrich, work on Wells bridge,	6 00
C. Leeds, stringers for bridge,	3 11
B. N. Pollard, labor on road,	2 00
Charles Decatur, labor on bridge,	9 00
T. Lathrop, labor on road,	14 04
S. Peaslee, “	5 95
Charles Day, plank,	28 25

Paid D. Hinkson, plank and labor,	\$22 05
J. Pattee, repairing bridge,	25 13
J. A. Furber, labor,	5 50
J. S. Clark, plank,	4 25
S. Crosby, plank,	1 90
Charles N. Morse, plank and labor,	11 55
J. J. Pollard, labor,	1 75
Hiram Philbrick, labor,	5 00
H. C. George, labor,	3 25
L. F. Webster, labor,	1 25
Moses French, damage on plow,	4 00
George Davis, labor,	10 25
T. S. Lathrop, plank,	4 11
Brown & Farnam, plank,	7 31
Joseph Homan, work on roads,	5 00
Chamberlain Packard, plank,	20 11
J. S. Davis, Hazelton bridge,	10 30
Edwin Flint, work on road,	3 19
M. C. Tucker, work on road,	1 10
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	\$474 12

For building new Bridge near West Canaan.

Paid Pattee & Perley, for lumber,	\$194 90
“ “ powder and nails,	7 10
John Q. Perley, for board,	27 15
Hazen Abbott, blacksmithing,	4 22
E. A. Aldrich, labor,	10 50
B. P. Nichols, labor,	5 00
John Jones, labor,	20 00
M. Brocklebank, labor,	1 34
L. F. Webster, labor,	7 50
J. Packard, labor,	1 00
H. C. George, labor,	4 50
Moses French, labor,	25 00
D. Clark, labor,	2 50
T. D. Avery, labor,	17 25
W. F. Wilson, labor,	5 00
Charles W. Kendall, labor	8 12
N. C. Morgan, labor,	7 50
E. Hadley, labor,	1 00
H. Follansbee, labor,	4 50
J. Dean, labor,	9 00
Wm. Aldrich, labor,	3 00

Paid A. B. Aldrich, labor,	\$5 20
G. S. Hadley, labor,	12 25
W. F. Wilson, labor,	11 00
A. Columbia, labor,	11 00
A. Bucklin, labor,	8 75
F. P. Swett, labor,	21 00
H. H. Wilson, labor,	9 00
J. S. Davis, labor,	12 00
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	\$456 28

For building new Roads and Bridge.

Paid R. & Daniel Goss, for building Wells Road,	\$158 80
Joseph Dustin, for Land damage new Road near Lemots,	20 00
Clark Clough, building Bridge near Lemots,	58 00
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	\$236 80

Old Claims not reported last year.

Paid C. H. Wells, digging grave, Mrs. Berry,	\$2 00
Brown & Farnham, plank,	9 94
J. H. Davis, damage on horse and harness,	5 00
Charles Barney, labor,	1 50
J. Clark, labor,	2 75
J. Eastman, damage on plow,	1 04
G. S. Lathrop, sink, town farm,	2 50
Abel Hadley, work on Scofield bridge,	1 50
A. B. Clark, breaking roads,	4 50
“ “ work on highway, 1861,	27 57
Chas. N. Morse, breaking roads, 1862,	1 08
Pattee & Perley, for Mrs. Batchelder,	28 87
Frank Brannon, wood for S. Towle,	8 00
P. B. Cogswell, printing Reports, 1862,	29 00
Albert Cochran, roads,	75
Joseph Sherburne, work on road,	2 58
Harley Morey, plank,	2 33
Clark Clough, breaking roads, 1861,	3 75
Gilman Hardy, work on Goose Pond road,	5 66
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	\$140 41

Paid Jonathan Kittredge, services Clough case,	\$109 09
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Notes and Old Orders.

Paid Nathan S. Holt, Note,	\$516 08
H. H. Wilson, “	208 00
Chas. Hutchinson, “ 1857,	103 00
Eleazar Barney, “	223 95
Wm. Whittier, “	233 13
D. C. Washburn, “	52 87
W. Aldrich, “	410 60
Rufus Richardson, “	39 27
Wm. P. Weeks, “	228 54
“ “ “	627 16
Joseph Fifield, Order, 1861,	87 04
Joseph C. Lary, “ “	56 40
Arnold Morgan, “ 1860,	33 04
Jesse Martin, Note,	1015 00
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	\$3834 08

Miscellaneous Expenses.

Paid L. S. Welch, fixing windows in town house,	\$7 20
B. P. George, care town house and hearse,	4 42
James Doten, water trough,	1 00
Mary Clark, interest,	33 00
J. A. Sanborn, expense Road Commissioners,	6 75
County Commissioners, on petition of D. Barnard and others,	52 80
G. W. Murray, for services,	30 25
I. N. Blodgett, for services,	85 16
Town of Hanover, widow Hadley's child,	35 75
Morrill & Silsby, stationery,	1 00
G. P. Lyon, “	6 08
Witnessess in Road case, Canaan vs. Dorchester,	9 53
H. & R. C. Leeds, land damage,	10 00
E. R. Doe, interest on note,	32 32
J. H. Swett, use water trough,	1 00
Roswell Elliott, on records,	16 00
J. A. Sanborn, board and use of room,	1 50
Edwin B. Minor, collector, 1862,	11 00
F. P. Swett, Bradbury case,	2 97
Wm. W. George, “ “	8 92
F. P. Swett, “ “	1 00
Reuben Dearborn, interest on note,	5 73
O. S. Ingalls, searching records,	2 10
B. F. Skinner, “ “	25

Paid P. S. Wells, taking affidavit,	\$ 50
F. P. Swett, expense getting county claims,	7 35
“ “ postage and revenue stamps,	3 00
F. P. Swett, A. H. Blake & H. S. Currier's bills,	3 84
J. S. Davis, use team and money paid out,	13 32
Edwin Cobb, Liquor,	52 11
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	\$439 85

Expense of Town Poor not on Farm.

Paid C. U. Dunning, Jenness,	\$2 00
Caleb Jones, Sarah Colby,	38 00
Harry Leeds, Mrs. Sulloway,	1 75
E. Nesmith, “ “	25 00
S. S. Smith, “ “	1 50
M. H. Milton, “ “	5 50
J. S. Crawford, Mrs. Whittier,	18 75
B. N. Pollard, Sarah Pollard and son,	104 00
M. H. Milton, Shubael Towle,	4 00
Pattee & Perley, “ “	8 00
City of Concord, Mrs. B. F. Welch,	36 08
House Reformation, Thos. Sullivan,	46 28
N. P. Taplin, Henry Daniel's girl,	3 00
N. P. Taplin, Job B. Jenness,	16 00
Arnold Morgan, “ “	23 25
“ “ A. F. Kimball,	3 00
“ “ H. Daniel's child,	2 00
“ “ E. W. Johnson,	75
Rufus Richardson, for Mary Richardson,	52 00
M. H. Milton, Joseph Milton,	75 00
E. Barney, Jenness family,	1 40
J. T. Milton, “ “	75
Thomas and M. J. Sanborn, Jenness family,	11 10
Pattee & Perley, Shubael Towle,	8 00
Roswell Elliott, Jenness family,	1 50
Darius Barnard, “ “	7 50
J. W. Thorpe, “ “	1 20
John Wilson, “ “	2 00
Sophia Briggs, “ “	50
Wm. Richardson, “ “	2 34
Wm. Aldrich, “ “	1 00
Thomas Sanborn, “ “	18 85
H. S. Worth, “ “	51 88
Clark Clough, Bradbury family, (three bills)	102 50
Alfred Richardson, “ “	9 00

Paid Town Hanover, Mrs. Williams,	\$21 54
J. S. Davis, Jenness family,	3 82
Ara Wheat, Susan Sanborn,	10 00
A. Smalley, Sally Clark,	2 00
H. S. Worth, Darush family,	4 00
Darius Barnard, " "	2 00
Ara Wheat, " "	7 50
Harvey Washburn, Laurill Washburn,	18 00
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	\$754 24

Expense of County Poor not on Farm.

Paid Chas. Day, Jas. Trowbridge, house rent,	\$24 00
Ann H. Loverin, nursing J. Trowbridge's family,	6 00
Jas. H. Kelly, goods, " " "	12 60
M. H. Milton, " " " "	11 00
B. N. Pollard, services Mrs. Trowbridge's burial,	1 50
Charles Kendall, Mary Lowe,	6 00
F. W. Barber, " "	4 00
M. H. Milton, " "	24 63
Jonathan Carlton, " "	4 00
Jesse Martin, " " (two bills)	5 38
" " Lewis Latouch,	4 00
Pattee & Perley, E. Watterman,	3 00
" " P. O. Dunham,	3 00
" " M. Knight,	15 00
" " F. Decatur,	8 51
" " Lewis Boovie,	2 00
" " Mrs. Loyd,	2 30
" " Miss Bruce,	3 40
" " W. Dunham,	37 37
S. P. Cobb, L. Latouch,	24 00
Joseph Dustin, Mirta Columbia,	20 00
Darius Barnard, Mrs. Sylvester,	57 28
Sophia Briggs, " "	3 25
J. B. Eastman, " "	1 50
H. B. Dustin, " "	3 00
S. Briggs, " "	1 00
E. R. Smith, " "	75
J. Wilson, " "	8 00
George Harris, Mrs. Philbrick,	50
J. W. Thorp, Mrs. Ash,	2 93
" " M. A. Dunham,	50
Arnold Morgan, A. J. Abbott,	5 50

Paid Arnold Morgan, H. Philbrick,	\$13 75
F. Brannon,	1 00
Mary Low,	3 00
Charles Bushaway,	1 00
M. Knights,	1 50
J. Bushaway,	2 55
Wm. Berry,	1 00
P. O. Dunham,	7 00
E. Shattuck,	3 00
N. P. Taplin, I. Blanchard,	2 00
W. Dunham,	2 00
H. Bacon,	5 25
A. Sharp,	8 25
J. Bushaway,	2 00
William Barry,	2 00
Mrs. Gaspaw,	1 00
E. R. Colby, Mrs. Jones,	25 00
Darius Barnard, A. J. Abbott,	2 00
T. S. Lathrop, Mary Low,	6 50
N. Jones, Mrs. Trowbridge,	1 00
C. U. Dunning, Wm. H. Bacon,	2 00
Darius Barnard, A. J. Abbott,	2 00
J. S. Davis, Wm. H. Bacon,	2 46
Joshua Wells, "	2 00
John Bushaway, "	1 00
Franklin Felch, "	9 00
H. S. Worth, "	3 96
Thos. Sanborn, "	6 50
Andrew J. Darush, "	2 00
Charles Day, A. Jefferson,	6 00
Arnold Morgan, "	6 00
Fanny Bradbury, "	10 00
Jas. H. Kelley, " (two bills)	24 17
J. H. Swett,	1 75
Edwin Cobb,	1 50
Stephen Colby,	3 96
Ara Wheat, Sybil Trowbridge,	10 67
Rosette Abbott,	5 00
Mirta Columbia,	9 50
Lewis Latouch,	5 08
Austin Dunham,	6 50
Joel Brow,	15 15
James Trowbridge,	29 00
Mias Columbia,	10 00

Paid Ara Wheat, Alexander Jefferson,	\$26 50
Mrs. Henry Jones,	5 50
F. P. Swett, Mary Lowe,	2 25
Nathan Willis, Lydia Flint,	5 50
Darius Barnard, Andrew J. Abbott,	4 20
Pattee & Perley, F. Decatur,	16 16
Willard Dunham,	4 50
R. C. Leeds, Joel Brow,	3 00
Darius Barnard, Mrs. Sylvester,	19 10
N. P. Taplin, L. Boovie and I. Blanchard,	10 00
Jesse Martin, Lewis Latouch,	6 00
M. H. Milton, Mary Low,	1 53
Arnold Morgan, Frank Brannon,	6 00
Arnold Morgan,	4 75
Ara Wheat,	4 00
I. N. Blodgett, on Warren Case,	11 50
Wm. Columbia, Rosette Abbott,	5 34
H. H. Wilson, E. Watterman,	98
Pattee & Perley, Blanchard & Boovie,	12 34

\$720 15

Expense of Poor on Farm, Town and County,	\$354 27
(See town farm Act.)	

Bounty paid to drafted Soldiers according to vote of Town.

J. D. Weeks,	\$300 00	J. S. Jones,	300 00
Geo. D. Harris,	300 00	Burns Edwards,	300 00
E. Shepard,	300 00	Byron Edwards,	300 00
Geo. F. Wells,	300 00	H. R. Norris,	300 00
M. H. Clark,	300 00	Geo. Tilton,	300 00
H. A. Nichols,	300 00	T. B. Morgan,	300 00
Geo. W. Davis,	300 00	L. K. Currier,	300 00
Wm. A. Flanders,	300 00	Jas. M. Eaton,	300 00
Samuel A. Colby,	300 00	David H. Butman,	300 00
Charles N. Morse,	300 00	Albert H. Davis,	300 00
E. H. Pressey,	300 00	D. County,	300 00

\$6600 00

Bounty paid to Volunteers, according to a vote of the Town.

Paid E. W. Johnson,	\$555 00
John W. Hoyt,	555 00
Robert McConnell, (veteran,)	600 00
George F. Taplin, state and town bounty,	250 00

\$1,960 00

Bounty paid for Volunteers.

Paid H. B. Whitney, for one volunteer,	\$500 00
Wm. W. George, for nineteen volunteers,	10,633 50
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	\$11,133 50

Paid State Aid to Volunteers' Families to March 1st, 1864.

Mrs. Wm. Talbert,	\$2 42	Mrs. Levi Martin,	\$65 20
John B. Loverin,	143 20	Thos. E. Jones,	48 00
G. H. Richardson,	95 46	Placid Adams,	80 00
Aaron Sargent,	143 20	Robert McConnell,	36 00
Geo. W. Kimball,	80 27	Henry S. Hamlet,	96 00
Wm. Digby,	104 55	Warren Hamlet,	144 00
John O. Burns,	95 46	Hiram Jones,	65 20
Orville Goss,	143 20	Abial Sharp,	65 20
Nath'l W. Bean,	95 46	Rufus S. Gross,	65 20
Oliver B. Childs,	95 46	David Legro,	65 20
Thos. S. Marshall,	143 20	Andrew J. Darush,	10 21
F. T. Dustin's mother,	48 00	Dennis County,	16 00
Mrs. C. D. Washburn,	143 20	Mrs. Thomas McNabb,	48 00
Peter Peron,	24 00	Alvah Gilman,	76 00
Gilbert J. Robie,	88 27	John N. Ford,	144 00
Austin Dunham,	42 97	Abby E. Wood,	28 00
A. K. Decatur,	95 74	E. W. Johnson,	24 40
Dexter Bradbury,	102 08	J. W. Hoyt,	24 40
Don C. Washburn,	42 31	George County,	12 00
O. F. Washburn,	47 86	Job Jenness,	144 00
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			\$3,033 72

Expenses of Recruiting Soldiers and paying State Aid.

Paid F. P. Swett, services recruiting soldiers,	\$53 75
F. P. Swett, cash paid out,	77 79
H. H. Wilson, services recruiting soldiers,	7 50
J. S. Davis, services recruiting soldiers,	11 25
J. S. Davis, cash paid out,	9 30
F. P. Swett, state aid,	6 50
H. H. Wilson, state aid,	6 50
J. S. Davis, state aid,	12 75
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	185 34

RECAPITULATION.

Whole amount received for the year ending
Feb. 20, 1864,

\$34,975 84

Whole amount paid out.

Paid State tax,	\$1233 90
County tax,	855 17
School money,	1386 51
Highways and Bridges,	474 12
School house tax Dist. No. 21,	15 00
“ “ “ Dist. No. 7,	18 00
Abatement of taxes for the year 1856-7,	22 53
“ “ “ 1861,	4 84
“ “ “ 1862,	145 13
“ “ “ 1863,	87 93
Services of town officers,	461 27
Insufficiency of highways,	27 25
building new bridge near West Canaan,	456 28
building new roads and bridge,	236 80
Old claims not reported last year,	249 41
Notes and old orders,	3834 08
Miscellaneous expenses,	439 85
Expense of town poor not on farm,	754 24
Expense of county poor not on farm,	720 15
Expense of poor on farm, town & co'y,	354 27
Bounty paid to drafted soldiers,	6600 00
Bounty paid to volunteers,	1960 00
Bounty paid for volunteers,	11133 50
State aid to volunteers' families,	3033 72
Expense of recruiting soldiers and paying state aid,	185 34
Charles Day, damage on sheep,	31 00
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	\$34,708 79
Balance in Selectmen's hands,	267 05
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	\$34,975 84

REPORT OF LIQUOR AGENTS.

J. S. DAVIS.

	Dr.
Liquors and fixtures on hand Feb. 20, 1863,	\$249 35
Amount of liquors bought,	497 06
Paid for U. S. license,	13 33
Services as agent,	50 00
Profits to town,	52 86

\$862 60

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Liquors and fixtures on hand Feb. 20, 1864,	\$223 08
Amount of liquors sold,	639 52

\$862 60

Liquors on hand less than last year,	26 27
Profits to town,	52 86

Cash paid to Selectmen, \$79 13

EDWIN COBB,

Dr.

Liquors and fixtures on hand, Feb. 20, 1863,	\$73,89
Liquors bought,	497 96
U. S. License,	13 33
Services as agent,	40 00
Profits to town,	38 00

\$633 18

Cr.

Liquors and fixtures on hand Feb. 20, 1864,	\$164 00
Liquors sold,	499 18

\$663 18

Liquors on hand more than last year,	90 11
Profits to town,	38 00

Cash paid agent, 52 11
Town Farm Accounts.

Paid Charles Day for use of Farm,	\$75 00
James Baker, for services to April 1st, 1864,	214 51
“ necessities furnished,	30 00
William Martin, for blacksmithing,	1 75
Joseph Hebert, “	1 03
John Bean, “	2 40

Paid M. H. Milton, for goods,	\$96 82
Jesse Martin, “	44 25
Arnold Morgan, for Lydia and Sarah Abbott,	5 00
James H. Kelley, for goods,	78 65
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	\$595 41

Received.

From James Baker, for labor on his farm,	\$19 12
“ produce and labor,	56 41
M. H. Milton, for produce sold,	32 38
J. H. Kelley, for produce sold,	52 23
Charles Day, for drawing bark,	35 00
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	\$195 14

Town and county poor,	354 27
Due from county,	336 84
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Town poor,	17 43
Invoice of property on farm, Feb. 12th, 1861,	840 17
Invoice Feb. 12th, 1863,	718 05
Expense of town poor as above,	17 43
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Profits of farm over and above keeping town poor,	104 69
Town poor kept on farm the past year:	
Ruth Whittier, 36 weeks,	Mary J. Hadley, 52 weeks,
Mrs. Dow, 52 weeks,	Allen Sanborn, 52 weeks.

PRESENT LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Old Notes, Notes and Interest due from the Town February 20th, 1864.

1857.	Pattee & Perley,	\$37 52
1857.	A. G. Arven,	73 80
Jan. 22, 1859.	Henry Martin,	349 64
May 19,	Dorcas Pattee,	1200 00
Aug. 10,	Nancy Kimball,	502 00
Sept. 26,	George W. Hadley,	500 00
“	Moses Hadley,	100 00
Dec. 1,	Iphene Dow,	191 73
Nov. 3,	George L. Whittier,	100 00
Nov. 5, 1860.	Richard Hutchinson,	150 00
Mar. 2,	Horace Chase,	535 36

Apr. 14,	James Calcott,	\$400 00
Dec. 12,	"	150 00
Feb. 14, 1861.	Edward Currier,	76 64
Feb. 23,	Mary Clark,	150 00
Mar. 2,	Dustin & Cobb,	71 76
Apr. 10,	Mary Clark,	400 00
May 4,	I. N. Blodgett,	390 00
May 20,	Henry Martin,	50 00
"	Dorcas Pattee,	100 00
June 19,	Alfred M. Shackford,	100 00
Feb. 1, 1862.	Hudson M. Richardson,	25 00
"	Alfred Davis,	300 00
"	Martin Davis,	619 54
"	Moses E. Currier,	100 00
"	I. N. Blodgett,	17 71
"	Chamberlain Packard,	262 96
Feb. 5,	George Harris,	775 00
Feb. 8,	Isaac Davis,	94 78
Feb. 1,	Edward Currier,	26 60
Apr. 7,	James Currier,	129 11
July 22, 1861.	Convers Goodhue,	1000 00
Dec. 31,	Alfred M. Shackford,	100 00
"	Bank of Lebanon,	300 00
Feb. 1, 1862.	I. N. Blodgett,	355 62
"	Abby D. Barns,	200 00
Feb. 12,	James H. Kelley,	100 00
"	"	108 00
Feb. 15,	Eleazer Barney,	238 16
Aug. 28,	Abby D. Barns,	200 00
Sept. 6,	George Harris,	200 00
"	Carlos C. George,	150 00
"	Edward Currier,	150 00
"	James Tyler,	100 00
"	John O. Barns,	100 00
"	Philip G. Prescott,	100 00
Sept. 10,	John M. Barber,	100 00
"	James P. Barber,	100 00
Sept. 22,	Elijah Whittier,	100 00
Sept. 24,	Hannah P. Wiswell,	52 00
Sept. 20,	Timothy Hilliard,	200 00
Sept. 27,	Rhoda F. May,	40 00
"	Daniel Pattee,	100 00
Oct. 11,	Ezekiel Wells, Jr.,	250 00
"	Nathaniel Flanders,	500 00
"	Miriam Webster,	600 00

Oct. 20,	Calvin Gage,	\$250 00
"	Alfred M. Shackford,	100 00
Nov. 1,	Horace W. Miller,	125 00
Nov. 5,	Caleb Blodgett,	150 00
"	Horatio Gates,	100 00
"	Miriam Day,	20 00
"	Gilbert J. Robie,	100 00
Nov. 6,	Henry C. George,	475 00
Nov. 10,	Aaron Aldrich,	203 00
Feb. 18, 1863.	March Barber,	125 88
Nov. 11, 1862.	Anna M. Hadley,	150 00
Nov. 17,	George W. Murray,	500 00
Dec. 27,	Mary D. Pillsbury,	200 00
Jan. 5, 1863.	James P. Barber,	850 00
"	Moses E. George,	225 00
"	Henry Shepard,	300 00
"	George F. Wells,	200 00
"	Ezekiel Wells, Jr.	200 00
"	Horace W. Miller,	75 00
"	Miriam Day,	60 00
Jan. 28,	Dennis Lary,	50 00
Jan. 30,	Joseph Shurburn,	200 00

Principal,
Interest,

\$18,081 81
2642 00

Total,

\$20,723 81

New Notes.

April 8, 1863.	Edward Currier,	\$300 00
Sept. 20,	Isaac D. Wiswell,	100 00
Oct. 17,	Moses E. George,	180 00
"	John H. Swett,	100 00
"	Rhoda Richardson,	100 00
"	Horace S. Currier,	500 00
"	Henry Martin,	100 00
"	I. N. Blodgett,	400 00
"	Keziah George,	400 00
"	George Aldrich,	200 00
"	Hiram Jones,	200 00
"	Reuben Dearborn,	200 00
Oct. 12,	Wm. P. Weeks,	600 00
"	Nathan S. Holt,	400 00
Oct. 17,	Nathaniel Flauders,	1000 00
Oct. 20,	Leonard Hadley,	100 00

Oct. 20.	Alfred Huse,	\$200 00
Nov. 18,	Henry Martin,	100 00
"	Joseph Rameor,	350 00
"	Alfred Huse,	100 00
"	Martha A. Hadley,	50 00
"	Job S. Davis,	200 00
Nov. 28,	Alamand Bucklin,	100 00
"	Joseph C. Derby,	100 00
"	Mary A. Barns,	50 00
"	Laura Fales,	60 00
"	George Blodgett,	700 00
"	Sylvester Flanders,	200 00
"	Eliphalet C. Davis,	100 00
Dec. 2,	Mrs. Abby H. Currner,	200 00
Dec. 4,	Nathaniel Flanders,	1000 00
Dec. 5,	Louisa W. Packard,	500 00
Dec. 7,	March Barber,	115 00
"	James P. Barber,	85 00
"	Rhoda F. May,	331 00
"	Leonard Davis,	250 00
"	Daniel G. S. Davis,	75 00
"	Eliphalet C. Davis,	100 00
Dec. 8,	George Young,	300 00
Dec. 9,	George Pressey,	200 00
"	Jonathan A. Sanborn,	500 00
"	Warren O. Shackford,	200 00
"	Edrick Shackford,	100 00
Dec. 11,	George W. Hadley,	300 00
"	Samuel W. Whittier,	600 00
Dec. 15,	Jonathan A. Sanborn,	500 00
"	Leonard Davis,	400 00
"	Dennis Lary,	50 00
Dec. 21,	Olive B. Morgan,	100 00
Dec. 30,	John W. Hoyt,	300 00
"	"	255 00
Jan. 5, 1834.	David Magrath,	105 00
Feb. 13,	Isaac D. Wiswell,	130 00
Feb. 26,	Martha E. Worthen,	300 00
"	Augustus Shepard,	200 00
"	Henry Shepard,	230 00

Principal,	\$14,616 00
Interest,	225 52

Total,	\$14,841 52
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Jan. 22, 1859.	Henry C. George,	\$74 00
March 27, 1861.	William P. Weeks,	100 00
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	Principal,	174 00
	Interest,	32 00
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	Total,	\$206 00

Notes Renewed.

1863.	Nov. 7.	Washington Whittier, renewed from Ebenezer Bennett,	\$485 06
	Dec. 8.	John Packard, two notes renewed, one Dec. 8, 1857, other Feb. 11, 1861,	688 71
	Nov. 6.	B. F. Gould, for old order,	240 70
1864.	Jan. 23.	Henry Martin, renewed from Feb. 24, 1863,	470 55
	Jan. 23.	E. R. Doe, renewed from Nov. 18, 1863,	3000 00
	Jan. 30.	George Harris, renewed from Dex- ter Harris, March 2, 1861,	147 19
	Jan. 1.	Reuben Dearborn, renewed from Nov. 18, 1863,	800 00
	Feb. 13.	Daniel H. Campbell, renewed from Feb. 14, 1857,	53 20
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			\$5,885 41
			20,723 81
			14,841 52
			206 00
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Total indebtedness, \$41,656 74

Availabilities.

Property on Town farm,	\$840 17
Liquors on hand,	387 08
Due from County,	972 45
Due from State as State Aid,	2432 13
In hands of Collector of 1861,	470 16
Balance on Notes over and above Literary Fund,	64 68
Note, E. Barney, G. W. Murray and R. B. Clark,	1000 00
Due from Town of Hanover,	211 09
Interest in Dow farm,	50 00
Due from Town of Orange,	13 50
In hands of Selectmen,	267 05
Due from State Railroad tax,	294 83

Due from State, State Bounty to G. F. Taplin,	\$100 00
Due from United States as bounty to volunteers,	7046 00
Due from Charles Day,	35 00

	\$14,184 14
Total indebtedness of town,	41,656 74
Total availabilities,	14,184 14

Indebtedness over and above available funds,	
February 20, 1864,	\$27,472 60

Indebtedness of the town reported Feb. 20, 1863,	\$15,950 99
Old claims not reported last year,	140 41

*Old notes and orders not reported in 1862, or
known of last year.*

1857. July 1. Charles Hutchinson,	\$103 00	
Dec. 8. John Packard,	439 21	
1860. Nov. 2. Jesse Morse, (paid B.		
F. Gould,)	240 70	
Nov. 12. Arnold Morgan,	33 04	
		815 95

Total indebtedness above availabilities,	
Feb. 20, 1863,	\$16,907 35

Total indebtedness above availabilities,	
Feb. 20, 1864,	27,472 60

Increase of indebtedness for the year,	10,565 25
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There has been paid in bounties and for recruiting soldiers above the amounts received and due from the State and United States,	10,570 02
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which is \$4 77 more than the increase of the
town indebtedness during the past year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FRANKLIN P. SWETT,	} <i>Selectmen of Canaan.</i>
HENRY H. WILSON,	
JOB S. DAVIS,	

The undersigned have carefully examined the books of the
Selectmen, and also the foregoing accounts, and find the same
correctly kept and properly vouched.

L. C. PATTEE,	} <i>Auditors.</i>
JESSE MARTIN,	

Canaan, Feb. 26, 1864.

REPORT OF SUPT. SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Prudential Committee—JAMES TYLER.

MISS M. E. SMITH, Teacher. This School, during both terms, was under the charge of a veteran teacher, who was eminently qualified to arouse the ambition of the scholars, both by precept and example. The ardor with which the teacher labored for the welfare of her pupils produced very satisfactory results, as was seen in the prompt recitations, the stillness and good order which pervaded the school-room, the mutual confidence existing between the teacher and her pupils,—and especially in their cheerful co-operation in all her plans for the promotion of the interests of the school. All the classes exhibited thorough training. In this “age of steam” the tendency is to urge pupils superficially through a prescribed course in very much less than the proper time. Rapid promotion from small books to large ones and from one class to another, is regarded by most parents and scholars as the test of real progress. Hence it is that we often find scholars in Algebra who know nothing about Arithmetic, and in Latin and French who cannot write a sentence grammatically in English. Miss Smith was content to sow the seed with diligence, and to wait patiently for the fruit to appear in due season; and as a necessary consequence the result was all that could be desired.

The punctuality and regularity of attendance surpassed our most sanguine expectations. While in other districts cases of tardiness are reported by hundreds, the whole number in this district for the Winter term was nineteen. This could have been accomplished only by care on the part of parents, pupils and teacher,—and we are sure that all have been amply rewarded for their pains. This school was successful in all the elements which constitute success, and it is pleasing to the Committee to know that the parents manifested their approbation in a manner gratifying to the teacher and creditable to themselves.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Prudential Committee—THOMAS D. AVERY.

The *Summer Term* was taught by Miss CARRIE W. MERRILL, who controlled with success the active spirits committed to her care, and infused into her pupils interest and animation in their studies. No other school made better progress, and in but few was the order so good as in this. The teacher imparted instruction in a clear and faithful manner. The scholars labored faith-

fully to excel in their studies, and manifested a pleasing attachment for their teacher. From examination, it appears that the Register shows a regularity and uniformity of attendance never before reached in this district. No better evidence of the merits of the teacher and scholars can be adduced. It is almost always the case in schools which are successful that the attendance is high, while on the other hand in poor schools the attendance is low. The habit of tardiness if once established, generally remains through life, and the injurious effects which it produces cannot be over estimated. No school in town has now a better reputation, and it will remain so if the parents will but co-operate with the teachers as they have done for the past year.

Winter Term. — JOHN P. CARR, Teacher. The improvement so well begun in the Summer was continued. The teacher evidently understood and loved his vocation. He gained the respect of his pupils without apparent effort, and the ambition they manifested to comply with his wishes for their improvement was highly commendable. In all the branches there was great advancement, especially in reading. This as conducted in some of our schools is nothing but a waste of time. It is the foundation of knowledge and should receive careful attention. It has been frequently and truly remarked by teachers that the scholars in this district are poor readers, and it is gratifying to the committee to observe so much progress in this respect. The parents seemed interested in the school, and it was worthy of their interest. The prudential committee visited the school twice each term, which is so remarkable an event in this town that we feel bound to mention it as worthy of imitation. Mr. Carr is a successful teacher, and we fully concur with the entire district in the opinion that he kept a superior school. Having said so much and justly in his praise, we regret to add that his Register is defaced by such-spelling as "Tomas," "Schollars," &c.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Prudential Committee — JAMES BAKER.

Miss JULIA FLANDERS, Teacher. A new school-house is absolutely required in this district. The scholars cannot have ordinary inducements either to attend school or improve in their studies, for everything connected with the school-house is far from attractive, and besides, the house itself is very uncomfortable, especially in Winter. It might answer to keep swine in, but is no place to educate or improve immortal minds. There was but one term, and so far as could be judged the school made respectable progress. It is small and backward, but there are some scholars who would do credit to any district. The Register has not been returned, and therefore no statistics can be given.

I would call the attention of teachers and prudential committees

to the extract from the laws of the state which can be found in the Registers, by which it will be seen that Prudential committees have no power to pay teachers until the proper report has been made to the Superintending Committee.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Prudential Committee — CHARLES W. KENDALL.

Miss LIZZIE M. DOTEN, Teacher. Not having received any notice of the time the school was to commence it was visited but once, when there were but three scholars present. These had apparently done well. There is something wrong in this district. It will be seen by the statistics that the whole number of scholars was sixteen and the average attendance but ten. Scholars seem to have staid at home about every other day. So long as this state of things exists the school must be backward and discreditable to the good people of the district. Scholars should either go to school regularly or not at all. That the irregularity of attendance so manifest here was not through the fault of the teacher, we think, is evident from the fact that the parents seem to have been well satisfied with her efforts.

DISTRICT NO. 12.

Prudential Committee — CALER JONES.

Summer Term. The Summer school was taught by Miss ORINDA L. HAYWOOD, a teacher of considerable experience. Fair progress was made. The teacher evidently labored hard for the welfare of her pupils. The order of the school was not good, and the scholars did not seem to be very much interested in their studies. Miss Haywood was faithful in her way, but has not the ability to govern or the zeal to animate those with whom she is associated.

But one resident of the district visited the school. This should not be so. When a man engages another, at the distance of miles, to pasture for him a calf worth a few dollars, he is not satisfied unless he can see how it is thriving once in a few weeks, and yet this same man will commit the training of his children to strangers for months and never once visit or inquire as to their improvement. Either calves are at a premium or children at a discount. The best of teachers cannot interest children to any considerable degree unless the parents also manifest an interest, and until they do so a first class school cannot be expected.

Winter Term. Miss MARY E. ROBINSON, Teacher. The teacher failed to give satisfaction. She attributes her want of success to a cold, uncomfortable school house and to the entire lack of interest on the part of parents. They on the other hand think she was not competent to instruct the school. By reason of circumstances, the committee unwisely allowed her to commence the school without examination, trusting to her own statement as to her qualifications. That she knows but little about Grammar is evident

from her Register. In Arithmetic, also, we do not think she was competent to instruct the more advanced scholars. She labored under the disadvantages of having a miserable school house, and apparently the ill will of parents also. The scholars present at the close of the school appeared very well. Her selection to keep the school was unfortunate. She lacked both experience and knowledge. A new house is very much needed and until one is built it will be difficult for the district to secure the services of competent teachers.

DISTRICT NO. 13.

Prudential Committee—GEORGE P. CLARK.

Miss CHARLOTTE S. DOW, Teacher. This is a very small school, and in the opinion of the committee the district ought to be united with the one adjoining. The school gave ample evidence of having been under thorough instruction and good discipline. We were very much pleased with Miss Dow's method of teaching and with the interest manifested by the scholars in their studies. The school must have been satisfactory to the district, and is deemed worthy of much praise by the committee.

DISTRICT NO. 16.

Miss JULIA FLANDERS, Teacher. This is a very pleasant school. Good order was maintained, and the progress made satisfactory. No statistics can be given as the Register has not been received.

DISTRICT NO. 20.

We understand there has been a winter school in this district. The committee however have not received any information about it either from the prudential committee or the teacher.

DISTRICT NO. 21.

Prudential Committee—STEPHEN PEASLEE.

Summer Term. Miss PERSIS MORSE, Teacher. Miss Morse has taught in this district several terms and with good success. The school has always appeared well under her care and never better than the last term. It is unfortunate for the district that she has abandoned school teaching for matrimony.

Winter Term. Miss JOSEPHINE TEMPLE, Teacher. By reason of the teacher's ill health the school closed before the appointed time, and was therefore visited but once. We think Miss Temple is an excellent teacher. At the time of our visit the school gave evidence of good progress.

In taking leave of the schools with which I have been connected for the last two years, I am gratified to report that the improvement made in nearly all of them has been satisfactory, and to express the confident hope that these "seminaries of the people," the "sources from which future citizens must receive their early education," will ever be an honor to the town and a blessing to the state.

Respectfully submitted,

I. N. BLODGETT.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Prudential Committee—Mr. ALONZO LARY.

There was but one term taught in this district during the year. It was commenced Aug. 3d, by Miss MALVINA HADLEY—who becoming discontented, resigned her position in favor of her sister, Miss ARABEL HADLEY, who finished the school with credit to herself and with profit to the scholars.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Prudential Committee—Mr. JOHN B. WILSON.

There was no Summer school in this district. The Winter school was commenced Nov. 30th, by Miss LIZZIE R. MORGAN, in what is called the old "Chase house," which is as poor an apology for a school house as we have seen. There are some scholars in this district of fine natural abilities, and they certainly deserve more comfortable accommodations to encourage intellectual attainments. A school room should be in some degree attractive, or scholars will lose their interest and graduate before their time. If the inhabitants would rightly look at this matter they would see that a good school house has an important bearing upon their highest interests. The value of real estate is certainly affected by its surroundings. May the inhabitants of No. 6 take the hint, and provide a good school house before the next school commences.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Prudential Committee { Mr. RICHARD HUTCHINSON,
Mr. JONATHAN BARNARD.

Miss RHODOSCA A. HINKSON was employed to teach the advanced department of this school, and Miss ABBY A. HUTCHINSON the primary. In the judgment of the Superintending Committee there was no just cause of complaint against these teachers more than might be raised against almost any others. Prejudice, we sincerely believe to have been the cause of the trouble which occurred in the four weeks which these ladies taught. They then resigned their positions. The Prudential Committee refused to employ other teachers, and was superseded by Mr. Jonathan Barnard, who employed Miss SARAH E. KILBOURN and Mrs. CELIA C. PRATT. These ladies were good teachers, and having the co-operation of parents and outsiders generally, there was no trouble. Our conviction, that school difficulties generally have their origin outside of the school room, was strengthened by what we saw and heard during this term.

The Winter terms of this school commenced Nov. 30th, under very favorable auspices. Competent teachers were employed and peace reigned throughout. Mr. RUFUS N. TILTON taught the advanced, and Miss KATE P. BLODGETT the primary department. The teachers labored hard for the good of their pupils, and there

was considerable advancement. There might have been more if there had been greater punctuality and regularity in attendance. Mr. Tilton reported 373 tardy marks in his department, and Miss Blodgett 241 in the primary department. In her Register Miss B. remarks that some of her scholars came "any time between the hours of 9 A. M. and 4 P. M." These are drawbacks which parents and guardians can and should remedy. This school might be one of the best in town. Shall it not in the future take this rank? We earnestly recommend that this school be supplied with outline maps and a globe. They would yield good interest in the benefits resulting.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

Prudential Committee—Mr. CHARLES DAVIS.

The Summer term of this school was taught by Miss ARABEL HADLEY with acceptance. Though teaching in her own district she commanded the respect and esteem due to a teacher from the scholars. The examination of the school was highly satisfactory. The scholars had evidently studied.

The Winter school was under the tuition of Mr. ALVIN DAVIS, who took much pains to advance his pupils in their studies. We were pleased to notice that he did not leave a subject until he thought the student understood it. The scholars seemed interested and manifested considerable advancement. It had two weeks yet to keep when we visited it. The interest which the inhabitants of this district take in their school is worthy of imitation.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

Prudential Committee—Mr. TILTON NICHOLS.

About one-eighth of the children and youth of this district died in the months of November and December, 1862, which has very much reduced the school in point of numbers. Six attended the Summer school, taught by Miss ABBY A. HUTHINSON. There was only one instance of tardiness and two of dismissal during the term, and the average attendance $5\frac{1}{2}$. Miss H. taught a good and profitable school.

The Winter school was taught very much to the satisfaction of the committee and the inhabitants, we think, by Miss FANNIE F. SMILEY. The school commenced late, so that we were obliged to visit it two weeks before its close. There was, however, a good degree of readiness in answering questions on the part of most of the scholars—especially those in the higher branches of study.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

Prudential Committee—Mr. B. P. NICHOLS.

The Summer term of the school in this district was taught by Miss AGNES BAILEY. Under her tuition the scholars advanced in knowledge.

The Winter term was taught by Miss LUCY M. CODMAN. This was her first school. The school did not appear as well as it would doubtless have done if the studies had been reviewed, and we had visited it three weeks later, at the close of the school. Furthermore, some of the best scholars happened to be absent on the day of our visit. These things will go far in excusing the want of readiness in answering questions which is desirable. There ought not to be so many tardy marks and dismissals in so short a time as the teacher reports. The district ought to repair their school house.

DISTRICT NO. 11.

Prudential Committee—Mr. HAZEN ABBOTT.

This is one of our largest schools, and at the commencement of terms the accommodation of the school house are too strait. But by and by there is a dropping off in attendance, and there is ample room. Miss CLIMENA F. ELLIOTT had charge of the Summer school, which enrolled 43 scholars. For want of information we visited this school but once.

The Winter school was commenced by Mr. GEO. W. JONES, whose health in four weeks gave way, and he was compelled to resign his position. Mr. HERBERT C. DAVIS finished the school with honor to himself and advantage to the scholars. Forty-four scholars were present at the commencement of this school—at the close only twelve were present. Sickness may account for some of this difference, but there is evidently a bad leak somewhere else. Let parents look after it and stop it.

DISTRICT NO. 14.

Prudential Committee—M. H. CLARK.

Miss — HEATH taught this school in the Summer. Notwithstanding our request of her to forward her Register to the Supt. Com. and her promise to do so, we have not received it, and therefore our statistical report of this school must be incomplete. Miss Heath kept a fair school; but there was hardly activity enough in the teacher to excite great activity in the scholars. The smaller ones showed commendable improvement.

The Winter School was placed under the care and instruction of Mr. A. E. MINER. Neither the teacher nor the superintendent were fully satisfied in the progress made by the scholars, which Mr. Miner accounted for in a great measure by "*the irregular attendance of the scholars*," and also by the fact that "*some of them are entirely ignorant of the objects for which they attended school*." Mr. Miner is a good scholar and gladly imparted instruction to those who desired it.

DISTRICT NO. 17.

Prudential Committee—JOHN KIMBALL.

Miss SUSAN A. PAGE taught both the Summer and the Winter school.

The Summer school was a decided success. The Winter school was two months long, and terminated without the superintendent being informed that it was about to do so. The school was small, the average attendance being $6\frac{6}{11}$. It was short also, yet the Register shows 40 tardy marks and 7 dismissals. We fear the improvement was not what it should have been.

DISTRICT NO. 18.

Prudential Committee—ABNER WHITTIER.

The 13 scholars attending the Summer school were taught by Miss KATE P. BLODGETT.

The teacher reported the moral deportment of 6 of her scholars as above mediocrity and 7 as ordinary. In habits of study only one scholar ranked above ordinary.

We think if the District would show their interest in education by building a convenient and comfortable school-house, the scholars would be moved to greater intellectual efforts. This school—though once second to none in town—is now poorly furnished with text books, and does not take the rank it ought to.

The Winter term—taught by Mr. — WELCH, was not a very profitable one. The teacher had a desire to do the scholars good, but failed to secure the respect of his pupils. They took advantage of his mildness and committed many wrongs; he gave them an inch and they took an ell.

DISTRICT NO. 19.

Prudential Committee—H. K. FARNUM.

There was but one term of school in this district during the year. This was taught by Miss SARAH A. TEMPLE. It commenced Sept. 7, and was 15 weeks long. We were highly pleased with this school at its examination. There was a degree of readiness in answering questions on the part of the scholars, which reflected credit both upon their studiousness and the teacher's ability and efforts. The order of the school was excellent. We wish every district in town could boast of as good a school-house as can this district.

In conclusion we make the following suggestions :

- 1st. Schools that are to be long should commence earlier.
- 2d. Schools should be supplied with Globes and Maps.
- 3d. The deficiency in attendance which most Registers show is a very serious drawback upon the usefulness of our schools.
- 4th. Schools should be visited by parents, guardians and citizens generally.

Respectfully submitted :

CHARLES U. DUNNING.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Dist's.	No. weeks of School.			Wages per month.		No. Scholars		Av. Attendance.		Cases of Tardiness.		Visits by Citizens.	
	S.	T.	W. T.	S.	T. W. T.	S.	T. W. T.	S.	T. W. T.	S.	T. W. T.	S.	T. W. T.
1	12	12		16 00	25 00	36	27	27	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	21	19	37	9
2	10	11		15 88	28 00	31	50	26 $\frac{1}{2}$	42 $\frac{1}{2}$	32	68	40	52
4	16			3 00		16		10		49		11	
5	11			13 34		11		9		11		5	
6		10			13 00		9		6 $\frac{2}{3}$		10		9
7	9	9		11 50	25 00	64	74	47	59	116	614	29	28
				18 00	13 33								
8	10	10		6 00	15 00	14	11	9	10	23	9	4	2
9	7	12		9 50	14 00	6	9	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	8	1	11		
10	10	14		8 00	14 00	9	13	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	9	24	72	7	
11	11	9		15 00	25 00	40	43	26	19	123	50	7	3
12	8				8 00	13	16	9	6	42	97	1	2
13		15			12 67		7		5		10		3
14		12			20 00		13		11		76		1
17	8	7		6 00	10 00	14	12	13	6	67	40	7	3
18	9			10 00		13		10		48		10	
19	15			11 00		11		9		17		6	
21	8	11			11 00	10	15	7	10		34	3	11